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Aircraft Count

1. About 25 LI-2's were observed on the field.

Battle Exercises

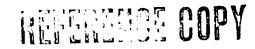
2. Battle exercises took place in the evenings of 10 and 20 September. On both occasions every available officer and man turned out in full battle order. About 150 men parachuted down in a simulated attack on the airfield while the remainder manned the trenches and fire positions. The exercise on the 10th began at 19.00 hours and that on the 20th began at 21.00 hours. Two light M.G.'s are known to have been dropped independently. German fitters and electricians had to stand by in case of need.

Arrival® and Departures.

- 3. On 30 September, 400 fully trained men left for an unknown destination. Half went by air and the remainder by truck. All movement was during hours of darkness.
- 4. During the night of 1 2 October \$00 men arrived by air. They are stated to have been wearing black shoulder-boards with red piping, whereas those who left were wearing blue shoulder-boards with crossed propellors at the shoulder-boards.

Weixsdorf Barracks

 Volkspolizei are still stationed here. Twenty go to the airfield every day for flying instruction.



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